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See MCI v. FCC, 515 F.2d 385 (D.C. Cir. 1974).

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## FCC COMMISSIONERS ANNOUNCE AGENDA FOR SEATTLE FIELD HEARING ON MEDIA OWNERSHIP

Washington, D.C. – Commissioners Michael J. Copps and Jonathan S. Adelstein today announced the agenda for the field hearing on media ownership rules in Seattle, Washington. The hearing will be held on Friday, March 7, 2003, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the University of Washington Hub (Husky Union Building) Auditorium.

**University of Washington Hub (Husky Union Building) Auditorium  
Seattle, Washington**

***Friday, March 7, 2003  
9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.***

### A G E N D A

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| <b>9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.</b>   | <b>Welcome and Introductory Remarks</b><br><i>Michael J. Copps</i> , Commissioner, FCC<br><i>Jonathan S. Adelstein</i> , Commissioner, FCC<br><i>Jim Compton</i> , Councilmember, Seattle City Council<br><i>Sharon Nelson</i> , Director, Shidler Center for Law, Commerce, and<br>Technology, University of Washington School of Law |
| <b>9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.</b>  | <b>Panel Discussion: Local News</b><br><i>Hon. Jay Inslee</i> , U.S. House of Representatives<br><i>Frank Blethen</i> , The Seattle Times<br><i>Alan G. Stavitsky</i> , Univ. of Oregon School of Journalism and<br>Communication<br><i>David Lougee</i> , KING and KONG-TV, Northwest Cable News<br>Network                           |
| <b>10:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.</b> | <b>Panel Discussion: Entertainment and Music</b><br><i>John Sandifer</i> , AFTRA, Seattle Local<br><i>Becky Brenner</i> , Program Director, KMPS-FM and KYCW-AM<br><i>David Meinert</i> , NARAS, Pacific Northwest Branch<br><i>Mark Allen</i> , Washington State Association of Broadcasters  |
| <b>11:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.</b> | <b>Break</b>   |

**11:15 p.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

**Panel Discussion: Localism Issues**

*Bill Gillis*, Washington State Univ. Center to Bridge the Digital Divide

*Bob Hoffman*, CWA Local 37082, Pacific Northwest Newspaper Guild

*Ricardo Garcia*, Northwest Communities Education Center, KDNA 91.9 FM

*Ben Tucker*, Fisher Broadcasting Company

**12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

**Public Comments**

**12:30 p.m.**

**Adjournment**

The hearing is open to the public and seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. All interested persons are invited to attend. Interested members of the public may also participate in this proceeding by filing comments electronically using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) and ECFS Express at <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/> or <http://gullfoss2.fcc.gov/ecfs/Upload/>.

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